



Disturbance and Change, Invasive Plants and Paths to Recovery a Joint Meeting of SE-EPPC and SE-SERI

Chattanooga, TN, May 11-13, 2010 (Tuesday-Thursday)

Join us May 11th through 13th for the first joint meeting between the Southeast Exotic Pest Plant Council and the Southeast Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration International

This will be an exciting meeting that brings together practitioners and researchers from the fields of restoration and invasive plant species management. Take this unique opportunity to network and learn together. The meeting will be held at the historic Sheraton Read House Hotel in the heart of downtown Chattanooga, Tennessee.

For more information about the meeting and instructions on abstract submittal, go to the meeting web site at <http://www.se-eppc.org/2010/>.

Chattanooga is a thriving city surrounded by spectacular views and offering an abundance of educational, recreational, and historical tourism opportunities including the outstanding Tennessee Aquarium. A variety of outdoor recreational opportunities are available within a very short drive of the downtown area including hiking, whitewater rafting, and much, much more. Chattanooga is a progressive city that has been addressing invasive plant issues and climate change and is creating a healthy, prosperous city for all generations as a green community.

Keynote Speaker

Coping with Disturbance and Change: Identifying the Costs Associated with Invasive Plants in the Southeast

Don Hodges, University of Tennessee, Professor of Forest Economics and Policy and Director of the University of Tennessee Natural Resource Policy Center

Plenary Speakers

Insights into the green initiatives being made within the city of Chattanooga.

Gene Hyde, City Forester for Chattanooga, current Chair of the Chattanooga Green Committee, and lead member of Mayor Littlefield's climate protection core group.

Restoration of Native Grasses in the southeastern United States

Tom Barnes, University of Kentucky, Professor and extension wildlife specialist